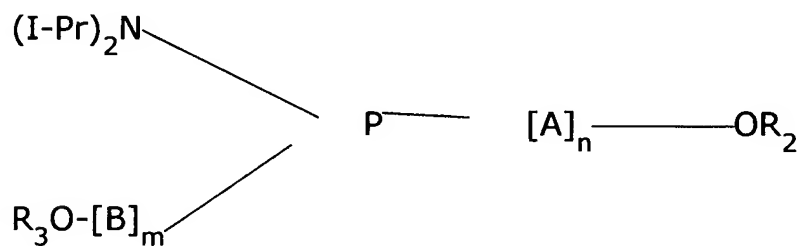


AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 79-92 without prejudice or disclaimer and amend the claims as shown below without prejudice or disclaimer. This listing of the claims replaces all prior versions and listings.

1. -69. (Canceled)

70. (Currently Amended) A compound of the formula:



wherein

A is selected from the group consisting of $-(\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2)-$, $-(\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2)-$, and grafted $-(\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2)_{n1}-$ $(\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2)_{n2}-$;

B is selected from the group consisting of $-(\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2)-$, $-(\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2)-$, and grafted $-(\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2)_{m1}-$ $(\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2)_{m2}-$;

n is [0] 1 -50;

n1 is [0] 1 -50;

n2 is [0] 1 -50;

m is [0] 1 -50;

m1 is [0] 1 -50;

m2 is [0] 1 -50;

I-Pr is isopropyl;

R₂ is selected from the group consisting of H, -CH₃, alkyl, phenyl, -CH₂CH₂CN and CONH₂;

R_3 is selected from the group consisting of H, $-CH_3$, alkyl, phenyl, $-CH_2CH_2CN$ and $CONH_2$.

71-76. (Canceled)

77. (Previously presented) The compound of claim 70 wherein A is $-(OCH_2CH_2)-$, B is $-(OCH_2CH_2)-$, n is 2, m is 2, R_2 is CH_3 or CH_2CH_3 , and R_3 is CH_3 or CH_2CH_3 .

78. (Previously presented) The compound of claim 70 wherein A is $-(OCH_2CH_2)-$, B is $-(OCH_2CH_2)-$, n is 3-20, m is 3-20, R_2 is CH_3 or CH_2CH_3 , and R_3 is CH_3 or CH_2CH_3 .

79. – 92. (Canceled)